

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0058] A client computer system of a cluster may send a request to create a file in a  
5 cluster file system. A server may create a file in response to the information and allocate  
space in a storage to the file. If a request to write to the file is received within a  
predetermined amount of time, the write may complete without requiring that additional  
operations be performed to allocate space to the file. If a write to the file is not received  
within the predetermined amount of time, the space allocated to the file when it was  
10 created may be de-allocated. The file system may additionally or alternatively perform a  
method for opening a file while delaying an associated truncation of space allocated to the  
file. If a request to write to the file is received within a predetermined amount of time,  
the write may be performed in the space already allocated to the file.